

SWARCer NEWS

December 7, 2015

December Meeting

Our December meeting consisted of a Christmas Social. It kicked off around 6pm and it was well attended. There were also plenty of them HORS DERBIES and they were some kind of good. We had meatballs, chicken on a stick, BO chicken deviled eggs, cookies, BROWNIES, banana pudding both regular and strawberry, did I mention that we had BROWNIES, there was pies, cakes, and BROWNIES. The only thing missing was a (Miss Rose) CHEESE CAKE. Yes Miss Rose you and Danny were missed. Danny I am sorry but Miss Rose with her lovely smile and CHEESE CAKE was missed. Santa sent us an email stating that several of the reindeer were feeling bad so he was not able to

make our meeting but he did send some gifts to be handed out to the children and NO JIM, K9RII you are not a child no matter what Miss Patty tells you that's how you act. In my opinion I think the Christmas social was very successful.

As this was our social event of the year there was only a couple pieces of business taken care of.

One piece of business was to present Mike, KD4OKR with a certificate naming him the first ever Ham of the Year for the South Wake Club. Mike has worked to promote ham radio and the club every opportunity he has had.

You cannot have a ham as good as Mike with out having someone like Adrian, AJ4NX who was presented with a certificate making him the most CONFUSED HAM of the YEAR. This was because of his confusion over his name and gender.



Public Service Through Amateur Radio

South Wake ARC's primary purpose is to further the Amateur Radio Service through programs, activities, and education, in order to promote the radio knowledge, fraternalism and individual operating efficiency of our members. Further, it shall be our purpose to support the welfare of our community through public service including radio communications for emergency situations and public events, and through providing information, training, and assistance to individuals or organizations with an interest in the Amateur Radio Service.

South Wake Raffle

Thanks to the great membership of the club our raffle was a great success. We sold all 400 tickets which resulted in approximately \$1,200.00 into the bank. That is after we paid for the radio so this was a great success. Now is the time to be thinking about our next raffle. The drawing for our next raffle will be at Field Day. So have your ideas ready for the next meeting in January.

RAFFLE RESULTS

The other business that was taken care was the raffle drawing. Master Andrew was kind enough to assist with the drawing. He did a great job drawing the winning ticket. After drawing then winning ticket I did try and get him to do a redraw but he would have none of it. So the winner was announced. The grand prize winner was "Uncle" Larry, NC4LR. KA0GMY notified Miss Julie by phone that

Uncle Larry was our grand prize winner.

Grand Prize Delivery

Even though the offer to keep the radio in safe keeping until Uncle Larry's ribs had fully healed in the year 2020. The winner did not think operating the radio would cause any harm to his ribs. So against my better judgment arrangements were made to deliver the radio on December 10, 2015. After arriving at Miss Julie's and Uncle Larry's house I again offer to hang on to the radio but they once again decline my generous offer. So the radio was delivered.



Delivery complete



**Club News
and World
(LOCAL)
Events**

Hi everyone as the editor of the club newsletter I want everyone to know what to expect. I am hoping to have the newsletter out the first weekend after the club meeting. So if you have information you want included then I will need it that weekend. If you take part in a special event then write it up and submit it along with some pictures. We will be happy to include your articles. If you would like to write about something going on in the club (good or bad) we will be happy to include your article. Please remember this is your newsletter and your contributions are appreciated.

**South Wake
Amateur Radio
Club Treasurer
Report
November 2015**

**As this was the
Christmas Social
no reports were
accepted.**



**Club News
and World
(local) Events**

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**APPOINTED
POSITIONS**

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Important 2015 Upcoming Dates – Ham News

Technician Class Exam Preparation Course

Raleigh Amateur Radio
Society
(RARS.org)

Original Announcement
Date: December 10,
2015

The **Technician Class** license is Level 1 (entry level) of three levels of licensure. Level 2 is the **General Class** and Level 3 is the **Amateur Extra Class**. This course assumes that you know nothing about electronics, communications or advanced math.

Children/youth: We highly encourage the participation of children and youth especially as a means to acquaint them with science and technology (i.e., STEM). It is recommended that the child be at least 13 (7th grade). It is a struggle for children of younger ages, although we have seen some pass the test. Parents are encouraged to

attend the sessions with their children. **Boy Scouts** have an **Amateur Radio Strip** that can be worn on the uniform of a scout who has an Amateur Radio license.

When: This course has four sessions: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6. The sessions will begin at 8:00 a.m. and end around 12:30 p.m.

Where: Raleigh, NC. Specific location will be provided upon pre-registration.

Volunteer Instructor: Mike Murphy, WA4BPJ, has an Extra Class license and has been teaching since the 1970s and has conducted as many as 60 courses. Mike teaches all three license courses: Technician, General and Amateur Extra.

Tuition: \$10.00 (payable at the first session)

Course Text: The required manual is the current edition of: **The ARRL Ham Radio License Manual – Level 1 Technician, 3rd Edition** (April 2014) (ISBN: 1-62595-013-0). The student is responsible for the purchase of the manual which can be obtained

online (i.e. ARRL, Amazon, etc.).

Examination: An **optional** examination is scheduled for the afternoon of the last session for the convenience of the students. This is done by a separate group of RARS Volunteer Examiners and there is an additional fee.

Pre-Registration: E-mail me back with **your phone number** (in case I need to get a hold of you quickly). A registration form and other details will be e-mailed to you.

This course is also listed on the ARRL Website at "Find a Class."

Next Course: General course (4 sessions) is scheduled for: Feb 27, 2016

You are probably on a contact list - e-mail me if you would like your name to be deleted.

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Membership

*If you have
questions
concerning your
membership please
contact Ryan,
NC4RA.*

NET REPORT

*With this being
the Christmas
Social no reports
were accepted
(THANK YOU
MISS JULIE FOR
THE NET
REPORTS)*

*If you have
questions
concerning the
nets or would like
to try your hand at
being a net control
then please contact
Miss Julie, KT4JR*

Next Club Meeting

*Our next meeting
will take place on
January 4, 2016.*

*This will be our
Chili cook off
dinner. Dinner will
start at 6pm. We
are asking you to
bring side dishes
to fill out the
dinner table.*

*Please remember
to sign up for
dinner*

*Pictures from the
Christmas Social*





More Pictures
from the
December
Meeting

